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Approval Package for:

APPLICATION NUMBER:

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Trade Name: Stimufend

Generic or Proper Name: (pegfilgrastim-fpgk) injection

Sponsor: Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC

Approval Date: September 1, 2022

Indication: Stimufend is indicated to decrease the incidence of infection, as manifested by febrile neutropenia, in patients with non-myeloid malignancies receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer drugs associated with a clinically significant incidence of febrile neutropenia.

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APPROVAL LETTER



BLA 761173

BLA APPROVAL

Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC
Attention: Navayath Shobana, PhD
Director, Regulatory Affairs
801 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, #820
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Dr. Shobana:

Please refer to your biologics license application (BLA) dated and received March 27, 2020, and your amendments, submitted under section 351(k) of the Public Health Service Act for Stimufend (pegfilgrastim-fpgk) injection.

LICENSING

We have approved your BLA for Stimufend (pegfilgrastim-fpgk) effective this date. You are hereby authorized to introduce or deliver for introduction into interstate commerce, Stimufend, under your existing Department of Health and Human Services U.S. License No. 2146. Stimufend is indicated to decrease the incidence of infection, as manifested by febrile neutropenia, in patients with non-myeloid malignancies receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer drugs associated with a clinically significant incidence of febrile neutropenia.

MANUFACTURING LOCATIONS

Under this license, you are approved to manufacture pegfilgrastim-fpgk drug substance at (b) (4). The final formulated drug product will be manufactured, filled and assembled at (b) (4) and labeled and secondary packaged at Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC in Wilson, NC, USA and Fresenius Kabi Austria GmbH in Werndorf, Austria. You may label your product with the proprietary name, Stimufend, and market it in 6 mg in 0.6 mL (10 mg/mL) solution in a pre-filled syringe.

DATING PERIOD

The dating period for Stimufend shall be 24 months from the date of manufacture when stored at 2°C to 8°C. The date of manufacture shall be defined as the date of final sterile filtration of the formulated drug product. The dating period for your drug substance shall be (b) (4) months from the date of manufacture when stored at (b) (4).

Results of ongoing stability should be submitted throughout the dating period, as they become available, including the results of stability studies from the first three production lots.

We have approved the stability protocol in your license application for the purpose of extending the expiration dating period of your drug product under 21 CFR 601.12.

FDA LOT RELEASE

You are not currently required to submit samples of future lots of Stimufend to the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) for release by the Director, CDER, under 21 CFR 610.2. We will continue to monitor compliance with 21 CFR 610.1, requiring completion of tests for conformity with standards applicable to each product prior to release of each lot.

Any changes in the manufacturing, testing, packaging, or labeling of Stimufend, or in the manufacturing facilities, will require the submission of information to your BLA for our review and written approval, consistent with 21 CFR 601.12.

APPROVAL & LABELING

We have completed our review of this application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed agreed-upon labeling.

CONTENT OF LABELING

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, via the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.14(b)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format.¹ Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the Prescribing Information, Patient Package Insert, and Instructions for Use). Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry *SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As (October 2009)*.²

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

CARTON AND CONTAINER LABELING

Submit final printed carton and container labeling that are identical to the enclosed carton and container labeling as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days

¹ See <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>

² We update guidances periodically. For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA Guidance Documents Database at <https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm>.

after they are printed. Please submit these labeling electronically according to the guidance for industry *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format — Certain Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications*. For administrative purposes, designate this submission “**Final Printed Carton and Container Labeling for approved BLA 761173.**” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new active ingredients (which includes new salts and new fixed combinations), new indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indication(s) in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable.

We are deferring submission of your pediatric study for patients who weigh less than 45 kg years for this application because this product is ready for approval for use in adults and the pediatric study(ies) have not been completed.

Your deferred pediatric study required by section 505B(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act is a required postmarketing study. The status of this postmarketing study must be reported annually according to 21 CFR 601.28 and section 505B(a)(4)(B) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. This required study is listed below.

- 3977-1 Submit pediatric assessments for Stimufend (pegfilgrastim-fpgk) as described in section 505B(a)(2)(A) of the FD&C Act, including development of an “appropriate formulation” (presentation) that can be used to directly and accurately administer Stimufend (pegfilgrastim-fpgk) to pediatric patients who weigh less than 45 kg and require doses that are less than 0.6 mL (6 mg), and conducting any necessary human factors studies to evaluate the ability of healthcare providers and/or caregivers to measure the appropriate doses.

Draft Protocol Submission:	01/2025
Study Completion:	06/2025
Final Report Submission:	10/2025

FDA considers the term *final* to mean that the applicant has submitted a protocol, the FDA review team has sent comments to the applicant, and the protocol has been revised as needed to meet the goal of the study or clinical trial.³

³ See the guidance for Industry *Postmarketing Studies and Clinical Trials—Implementation of Section 505(o)(3) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act* (October 2019).
<https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm>.
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring, MD 20993
www.fda.gov

Submit the protocol(s) to your IND 113717, with a cross-reference letter to this BLA. Reports of this required pediatric postmarketing study must be submitted as a BLA or as a supplement to your approved BLA with the proposed labeling changes you believe are warranted based on the data derived from this study. When submitting the reports, please clearly mark your submission "**SUBMISSION OF REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS**" in large font, bolded type at the beginning of the cover letter of the submission.

POSTMARKETING COMMITMENTS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 506B

We remind you of your postmarketing commitments:

3977-2: To complete method development and implement a method (b) (4) for a (b) (4) in-process control.

The timetable you submitted on July 18, 2022, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:

Final Protocol Submission: 07/23

3977-3: To complete a viral inactivation study (b) (4), and to demonstrate that it is an effective step for inactivation of viruses that may be present.

The timetable you submitted on July 20, 2022, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:

Final Protocol Submission: 03/23

3977-4: To complete a real-time leachables study using the final container closure system (b) (4) to identify any potential leachables at initial, 6 and 12 months under storage condition (b) (4).

The timetable you submitted on July 18, 2022, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:

Final Protocol Submission: 03/23

3977-5: To complete a real-time leachables study using the final container closure system with MSB11455 drug substance to identify any potential leachables at initial, 6 and 12 months under storage condition (b) (4).

The timetable you submitted on July 18, 2022, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:

Final Protocol Submission: 03/23

3977-6: To complete a real-time leachables study using the final container closure system with MSB11455 drug product to identify any potential leachables at initial, 6, 12, 24 and 36 months under storage condition between 2°C -8°C.

The timetable you submitted on July 18, 2022, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:

Final Protocol Submission: 03/25

Submit clinical protocols to your IND 113717 for this product. Submit nonclinical and chemistry, manufacturing, and controls protocols and all postmarketing final reports to this BLA. In addition, under 21 CFR 601.70 you should include a status summary of each commitment in your annual progress report of postmarketing studies to this BLA. The status summary should include expected summary completion and final report submission dates, any changes in plans since the last annual report, and, for clinical studies/trials, number of patients/subjects entered into each study/trial. All submissions, including supplements, relating to these postmarketing commitments should be prominently labeled **“Postmarketing Commitment Protocol,” “Postmarketing Commitment Final Report,”** or **“Postmarketing Commitment Correspondence.”**

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. For information about submitting promotional materials, see the final guidance for industry *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic and Non-Electronic Format-Promotional Labeling and Advertising Materials for Human Prescription Drugs*.⁴

You must submit final promotional materials and Prescribing Information, accompanied by a Form FDA 2253, at the time of initial dissemination or publication [21 CFR 314.81(b)(3)(i)]. Form FDA 2253 is available at FDA.gov.⁵ Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at FDA.gov.⁶

⁴ For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA guidance web page at <https://www.fda.gov/media/128163/download>.

⁵ <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf>

⁶ <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf>

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

You must submit adverse experience reports under the adverse experience reporting requirements at 21 CFR 600.80.

Prominently identify all adverse experience reports as described in 21 CFR 600.80.

You must submit distribution reports under the distribution reporting requirements at 21 CFR 600.81.

You must submit reports of biological product deviations under 21 CFR 600.14. You should promptly identify and investigate all manufacturing deviations, including those associated with processing, testing, packing, labeling, storage, holding and distribution. If the deviation involves a distributed product, may affect the safety, purity, or potency of the product, and meets the other criteria in the regulation, you must submit a report on Form FDA 3486 to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Compliance Risk Management and Surveillance
5901-B Ammendale Road
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

Biological product deviations, sent by courier or overnight mail, should be addressed to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Compliance Risk Management and Surveillance
10903 New Hampshire Avenue, Bldg. 51, Room 4207
Silver Spring, MD 20903

Your product is a Part 3 combination product (21 CFR 3.2(e)); therefore, you must also comply with postmarketing safety reporting requirements for an approved combination product (21 CFR 4, Subpart B). Additional information on combination product postmarketing safety reporting is available at FDA.gov.

If you have any questions, contact Courtney Hamilton, Regulatory Project Manager at 301-796-6849 or at Courtney.Hamilton@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Tanya Wroblewski, MD
Associate Director of Therapeutic Review
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Endocrinology, and Nephrology
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURES:

- Content of Labeling
 - Prescribing Information
 - Patient Package Insert
 - Instructions for Use
- Carton and Container Labeling

This is a representation of an electronic record that was signed electronically. Following this are manifestations of any and all electronic signatures for this electronic record.

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